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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: DOUGLAS RUGG )  
SERIAL NO: 09/527,066 ) GROUP ART UNIT  
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FOR: BAG FOR CARRYING A BALL ) EXAMINER  
JOSEPH C. MEREK

Commissioner of Patents  
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312

Dear Sir:

**Introductory Comments**

This AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.312 is responsive to an Examiner's Amendment dated 7/14/04 that accompanied a Notice of Allowability, an Examiner's Amendment, NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE and related documents.

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